

# Psalm

YOU'RE A GOOD, GOOD FATHER!

## Feeling Insecure?

### How do we avoid insecurity?

1. We avoid insecurity by \_\_\_\_\_ God's  
\_\_\_\_\_.

Psalm 16:1

2. We avoid insecurity by \_\_\_\_\_ with  
\_\_\_\_\_.

Psalm 16:2-3

3. We avoid insecurity by \_\_\_\_\_ false  
\_\_\_\_\_.

Psalm 16:4

4. We avoid insecurity by \_\_\_\_\_ sincere  
\_\_\_\_\_.

Psalm 16:5-6

Journey with Jesus: John 4:46-6:21

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5. We avoid insecurity by \_\_\_\_\_ God's  
\_\_\_\_\_.

Psalm 16:7-8

### Take Home Truth

We avoid insecurity by \_\_\_\_\_ our future  
is \_\_\_\_\_.

Psalm 16:9-11

#### Today's Core Belief:

**Salvation by Grace:** "I believe a person comes into a right relationship with God by His grace, through faith in Jesus Christ." (from Ephesians 2:8-9)

#### Today's Action:

Have you felt insecure lately? Of the 5 things that David recommends which do you need to take action on? Commit to begin that action this week.



## Deeper Connection Study

This is a song of satisfaction in the goodness of God. Despite the prevalence of peril or trials, believers can confidently and joyfully express God's faithfulness and protection. God's presence not only brings comfort and joy for today, but also hope for the future.

*Today's Core Belief discussed: Salvation by Grace.*

### Read Psalm 16

1. How does David assert his utter need for God (vv. 1-2; cf. 73:25)? Why are his words so important for us to grasp and put into practice (cf. 34:4-8)?
2. How does the psalmist contrast two types of groups (vv. 3-4)? What reasons does he give as to why he would or would not associate with them (cf. 1:1-2)? How is this instructive for us?
3. What does it mean that God is our portion and cup (v. 5; cf. 73:26)? What is the psalmist's inheritance (v. 6)? How does he reveal contentedness?
4. How have you made the choice to follow God and his ways (vv. 7-8; cf. 119:30)? How can you be more intentional about putting the Lord always before you?
5. What encouragement do you glean from David's words about not being shaken or abandoned (vv. 8-10; cf. Deut. 31:8; Josh. 1:5c, 9)?
6. How have you experienced the fullness of joy in God's presence (v. 11; cf. 21:6; 36:8)? How are you now joyful with God? How can you share this with others?

**PRAYER TO THE POINT:** Praise God for giving us joy in Jesus the Messiah! Pray for those who lack joy and ask God to draw them close to himself. Ask God to use you to share about the joy of Christ with others.



As we observe some Middle school children, we witness evidences of insecurity: mischievous behavior in order to gain attention, embracing of their peers' interest in order to gain acceptance and adoption of ideas in order to gain identity. The irony in these common occurrences among earlier adolescents is that we can observe some of the same behavior among adults. Yes, even grown-ups can feel insecure and uncertain in some types of social situations.

King David was not immune to seasons of insecurity. Sometimes he came across as braggadocios, which annoyed his older brothers (1 Sam. 17:28). Other times he became deceitful when he felt insecure (1 Sam. 21:2-3). He could also become authoritative when he was fearful and uncertain (1 Sam. 25:21-22). Yet in spite of these moments when David responded out of his insecurities, God came through and brought him to a place of spiritual confidence. Psalm 16 reflects the results of God's development in David's life, and as a result offers us some insight into our own insecurity.